

Victims and Witnesses: *Services and Assistance*

The Victim-Witness Program offers a variety of services to federal victims and witnesses; including, but not limited to:

- Explains federal court procedures and orients victims and witnesses to the criminal justice system;
- Notifies victims and witnesses of case status, court appearances, and case dispositions;
- Provides information and assistance regarding victims' rights and the Victim Notification System (VNS);
- Refers victims to the Tennessee Criminal Injury Compensation Program;
- Informs victims of available services and, if appropriate, refers victims to community service providers;
- Provides support and assistance to victims and witnesses during court appearances;
- Assists victims and witness with travel and lodging arrangements for court appearances, and provides logistical information regarding directions, transportation, parking, etc.